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Via email: 63444-95595741@requests.muckrock.com

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Dear Mr. Tobias:

On November 6, 2018, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, which we entered as OS-19-00162, seeking the following:

Any and all written or electronic communications, including attachments, sent or received by Katharine MacGregor that contain one or more of the following words or phrases: "methane rule," "waste prevention rule," "waste prevention," "venting and flaring," "VF" and/or "methane."

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. Records previously released on the "methane rule," "waste prevention rule," "waste prevention," "venting and flaring," "VF" are available here: <https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records>. Additional releases on other requests will be forthcoming as we process additional records.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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If you have any questions regarding any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Ryan McQuighan by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by e-mail at os_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, NW, MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka
Office of the Secretary
FOIA Officer